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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action issued 25 June 2002, please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Three Times Amended) A therapeutic composition, comprising isolated dermal sheath tissue and/or a cell derived therefrom comprising at least one selected gene, or functional fragment thereof, and wherein said at least one selected gene, or functional fragment thereof is delivered to a target site when said dermal sheath tissue is part of a gene therapy vehicle.